

REGION III ICC
Minutes for November 5, 2007

Present:

Denise Brandvold, RDDPA
Marcia Schneider, Exp. Parent
Wendy Olson, DD
Nancy Brustad, LR KIDs Coordinator
Keith Gustafson, LRSEU Fiscal Agent
Cheryl Wold, East Central SEU Director
Judy Freund, Parent
Christie Jaeger, Parent
Erin Bommersbach, Right Track/LR KIDs
Connie Booth, DDCM
Rose Grimson, LR KIDs
Connie Hovendick, LRSE Director
Sherri Nelson, NDSD
Lori Grann, parent
Sandy Reeves, early Head Start
Millie Banet, Benson County Social Services
Gaylene Belgarde, Turtle Mt. PSNIT Director
Lois Bercier, Infant Tracking Turtle Mt.

AGENDA REPORT:

1. Introductions were done. Trainings and Conferences:

Keith stated there will be training on the Positive Behavioral Supports (mental health issues) rescheduled for fall. Dates/times TBA at a later date.

Northern Plains KIDs has scheduled additional training with Kelly Trevecka (OT) on Neuro Development Treatment. This will be both theory and techniques. Contact Keith Gustafson for the date(s).

There will be training on the Battel on December 3, 2007 at NDSD.

Keith, Nancy, Rose, and staff from Peace Garden Spec. Ed. will be attending a conference in Chicago November 5-12, 2007.

2. Right Track Program/LR KIDs update:

Erin Bommersbach discussed the screening and the checklists that are used. Screeners continue to be busy.

Nancy Brustad reported on the numbers in the program:

August – 62 September – 56 October – 51

Number of children that were discharged are: August – 4 September – 6 October – 6

Number of children that were enrolled are: August – 3 September – 1 October – 1

Nancy and Erin attended a Health and Wellness Fair in Cando. They provided information to the community people regarding Right Tracks and LR KIDs Infant Development Services.

3. Experienced Parent Program:

Marcia attended a conference with other parents focusing on “telling your story”. This was connected with the UND School of Medicine. Marcia reported that Dr. McWilliams was very good when he presented at the DDCM/ID training in October 2007 in Bismarck. Marcia has available the state list for the state library. Use of these resources/books/videos is encouraged. The Down’s Syndrome Buddy Walk in Bismarck was held with approximately 600 attending. Each year the event is growing in numbers. A Special Education PTA (SEPTA) is being organized in North Dakota.

4. Quality Improvement Plan & the Regional Compliance Work Plan:

The Regional ICC members are waiting for feedback on the QIP from the state office.

5. Agency Reports:

Gaylene Belgarde – A speech therapist has been hired. There are 13 children with active IEIPs in Headstart. A parent involvement meeting is being organized.

Millie Banet – The County continues to make CAPTA referral to LRHSC. There are preschool services (Horizon Project) available.

Sandy Reeves – Headstart has 80 children in Devils Lake and EHS has 50 children enrolled. On November 13th the new indoor play area (Tiny Tikes) will open. This will be open for 2 nights per week for children 18 months to 6 years old. The play area is located at the NDSD and will be open from November 13, 2007 to April 2008.

Connie Booth – LRHSC will have an open house at the Rolla Outreach office. Dates to be announced later.

Keith Gustafson – Keith provided an update on the early intervention services numbers. Keith discussed assessment needs for the evaluations that are required.

Sherri Nelson – Information on the Deaf/Blind Project was provided.

Cheryl Wold – Cheryl discussed the transition list.

Judy Freund – Judy provided the ICC with information from the last state ICC meeting.

Connie Hovendick – Positive Beginnings training was held. There were good comments. The targeted audience was preschool staff, ID workers, and LSWs.

Other Agency Items discussed: None

Tentative dates for 2008 are: Feb 4, May 5, Aug 4, and Nov 3 (1st Mondays)

The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting is February 4, 2008 at 10:00 at the Lake Region Human Service Center East/West Conference Room.

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